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### OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### **5 CFR Part 532**

#### **RIN 3206-AN18**

Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Harrisburg, PA and Scranton-Wilkes-Barre,
PA, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is issuing a final rule that would redefine the geographic boundaries of the Harrisburg, PA, and Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA, appropriated fund Federal Wage System (FWS) wage areas. The final rule will redefine Montour County, PA, from the Harrisburg wage area to the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre wage area. This change is based on a consensus recommendation of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee (FPRAC) to best match the county proposed for redefinition to a nearby FWS survey area.

**DATES:** *Effective date:* This regulation is effective on [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE <u>FEDERAL REGISTER</u>]. *Applicability date:* This change applies on the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning on or after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE <u>FEDERAL REGISTER</u>].

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 31, 2015, OPM issued a proposed rule

(80 FR 45616) to redefine Montour County, PA, from the Harrisburg, PA, wage area to the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA, wage area.

FPRAC, the national labor-management committee responsible for advising OPM on matters concerning the pay of FWS employees, reviewed and recommended this change by consensus.

The proposed rule had a 30-day comment period, during which OPM received no comments.

# **Regulatory Flexibility Act**

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will affect only Federal agencies and employees.

## List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 532

Administrative practice and procedure, Freedom of information, Government employees, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wages.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Beth F. Cobert,
Acting Director.

Accordingly, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management amends 5 CFR part 532 as follows:

## PART 532--PREVAILING RATE SYSTEMS

1. The authority citation for part 532 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 5343, 5346; § 532.707 also issued under 5 U.S.C. 552. 2. Appendix C to subpart B is amended by revising the wage area listings for the Harrisburg, PA, and Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, PA, wage areas to read as follows: Appendix C to Subpart B of Part 532—Appropriated Fund Wage and Survey Areas **PENNSYLVANIA** Harrisburg Survey Area Pennsylvania: Cumberland Dauphin Lebanon York Area of Application. Survey area plus: Pennsylvania: Adams Berks Juniata Lancaster Lycoming (Allenwood Federal Prison Camp portion only) Mifflin Northumberland Perry Schuylkill Snyder Union **Scranton-Wilkes-Barre** Survey Area

Pennsylvania:

Lackawanna Luzerne

Monroe

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Pennsylvania:

Bradford

Columbia

Lycoming (Excluding Allenwood Federal Prison Camp)

Montour

Sullivan

Susquehanna

Wayne

Wyoming

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